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FM Soldiers keep Oscar running

Story and photo by
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Most 8th U.S. Army Headquarters and Headquarters Company Soldiers come to Command Post Oscar to conduct exercises and then go back to wherever they are stationed when the exercise has run its course.

For the Soldiers of the 8th Army Facility Maintenance (FM) section, however, CP Oscar is not only a place of duty during exercises, but also between them.

"We take care of the sections when they come down here," said Sgt. Johnny L. Black, a facility management assistant. "My job is to make sure everyone is comfortable and everything is secure, practicing good (operational) security, and ensuring everything runs smoothly."

The Facility Maintenance section, made up of two sergeants and two master sergeants, is in charge of taking care of CP Oscar and all of its structures, as well as \$40 million of equipment.

"Any problem Soldiers have we can fix," said Sgt. Yi, Tae-woo, a facility management assistant. "If something is broken or someone needs more chairs or tables we can help them. If nobody takes care of the prob-



Sgt. Yi, Tae-woo, CP Oscar facility management assistant, Troop Command, checks wiring on the air conditioning unit of the EAOC building.

lems, even the small things like a water fountain being broken can be a big problem when they can't drink the water."

While an exercise is often a time for Soldiers to apply their skills in the field, exercises can be the opposite for the Soldiers of facility maintenance.

"The exercise is more of a break for us because we have set hours," said Master Sgt. Kelly J. Erickson, facility manager of CP Oscar. "All renovations or upgrades to the facility are done between exercises. Between Frigid Lightning in February, until March, we probably did a three-month project consolidated into

three weeks with an accelerated schedule that caused a lot of working hours and weekends."

The Facility Management Soldiers recently made modifications to many of CP Oscar's components. Some were minor advancements, like heaters in the security point at the gate, and some were as major as a the renovation of Room 121, changing the red room into "the bridge".

"We take care of construction, power, and any problems or upgrades that happen all over the complex," said Erickson. "Right now I do exactly what I would do in a contingency."



Voice of Warriors: *What do you think of this exercise? And what makes it so special?*



Maj. Olivia Bierman
Personnel Officer
8th Army G-1

"I think this exercise is special because it brings the 8th Army and 8th Army CONUS personnel together. I enjoy working with them."



Cpt. Manuel Guzman
Maintenance OIC
8th Army G-4

"I think this is a great opportunity to train and improve our mission here on the peninsula. With our great leaders, we will accomplish the mission."



Sgt. Tharon Cook
ADCS Admin/Driver
USFK HHC, 8th Army

"This exercise is a great way to show how Combined Forces come together to get the job done. I'm learning a lot about my wartime tasks here."



Pfc. Yang, Woo-young
Admin Specialist
8th Army S-3

"RSO&I is one of the biggest exercises we do here. Since this is my last exercise as a Pfc., I'll put all my effort for the success of unit mission."



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DFAC serves RSO&I Warriors

Story and photos by Pfc. Kim, Taek-hyun

As Soldiers descended on Camp Walker for Reception, Staging, Onward Movement and Integration 2004, normal day to day activities for the post tripled for Soldiers who are stationed here.

Due to the day and night shifts during the exercise, the post's dining facility has been feeding Soldiers for twenty-four hours with a rotation of three shifts.

"Normally we feed about 250 people a day. But during exercise rotations, we feed approximately 700 to 900 people," said Sgt. Matthew Tatman, ration noncommissioned officer in charge, Camp Walker dining facility, HHC, 19 Theater Support Command.

Despite the increase in diners, the DFAC Soldiers are ready to handle the extra responsibilities with confidence and pride.

"When we get a lot of personnel coming in, we have supporting units here to help us out for each

shift and for the midnight meal as well, so the Soldiers don't eat the same meal and get a variety."

So, during your stay at CP Oscar, keep in mind the supplementary efforts DFAC personnel put forth daily and be sure to abide by the posted DFAC hours.



Spc. Keith Tate II (right), chef leader, 19 TSC and Tae, Do-han (left), contract cook, teach Pvt. Dustin DeVaughn (middle), cook, 19 TSC how to make barbeque ribs.



Photo by Pfc. Yum, Tae-sung

Spring at CP Oscar After the freezing cold on the Korean peninsula, spring has finally reached the Soldiers of CP Oscar. This blossom, in front of the CP Oscar gate, announces the beginning of spring.

Weather for Daegu, South Korea

MARCH 23



Hi	Low
61 F	41 F
16 C	5 C

MAR 24



Hi	Low
57 F	43 F
14 C	6 C

MAR 25



Hi	Low
61 F	45 F
16 C	7 C



OPSEC - Not just an inconvenience

Story by
Pfc. Daniel Love

As exercise participants make their way through the Command Post Oscar gate, they are asked if they are carrying any portable electronic devices.

While many Soldiers consider not having cell phones and cameras an inconvenience, the Soldiers of the 8th U.S. Army Operational Security section see this rule as a necessity.

"People think that OPSEC is a burden on the United States Army, and they fail to recognize that it's a protection," said Sgt. 1st Class Jeffrey L. Bopp, an 8th U.S. Army Operational Security officer. "People use cell phones in classified areas when the policy is clearly no cell phones. The majority of people will discuss

unclassified information and do the right thing. The problem is, we can't control the environment or the people around them."

Bopp said that cell phones are easy for the enemy to listen in on because the phones Soldiers use run on Korean networks.

"People will use mission specific terms and mission specific information," said Bopp. "In an environment where someone is on an unclassified phone, that information could be leaked directly to the North Koreans."

Pieces of unclassified information from many sources can be put together to make classified information. The enemy can use the unclassified things Soldiers say on unsecure phones or email to see the unit's big picture.

"Everyone knows the enemy has forces within the South Korean peninsula," said Bopp.

"These people are everywhere, they're an everyday part of your life. They will get information from you on the most miniscule thing, and then process that information. They can overhear anything you talk about, and judging by the patch on your arm, they can compile the information they get from other people wearing that patch, and develop an understanding of what missions you have going on and what is coming up for your unit."

Soldiers and officers who violate OPSEC will be given OPSEC awareness cards.

"You never know who is listening," said Bopp.

OPSEC VIOLATION ! YOU NEVER KNOW WHO IS LISTENING !



You just became another victim of the Eighth Army OPSEC Awareness Program. The information you release may be the last piece of the puzzle the adversary needs to get the full picture.



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What's up

The Medical Center

- Bldg # 220, 764-5594
- Hours of Operation
6:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. Mon, Tues, Wed & Fri
1:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. Thursday
- Sick Call procedures:
Soldiers must call after 6:30 a.m. to make an appointment

Emergency Phone Number

- Medical Emergency 116 - Fire Department 117
- MP Emergency 110 - MP Desk 764-4141

Finance

175th Finance Command will be operational during RSO&I at CP Oscar between 1130-1330 hrs. Service offered will be limited to general pay inquiries and adjustment to your pay entitlements. Finance team NCOIC is SSG Maya McMahan. CP Oscar finance POCs are CPT Blake Young, SFC Thelma Crisp SSG Eugene Vicia, SSG Laderel Phair at 764-5931. For the latest finance information, visit our website at <http://175fincom.korea.army.mil>.